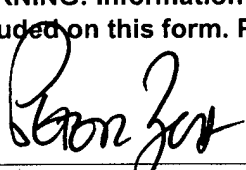
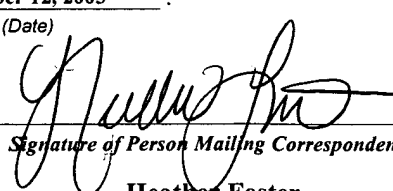
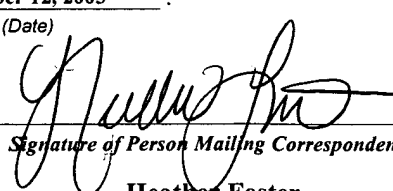
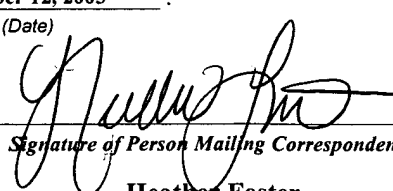
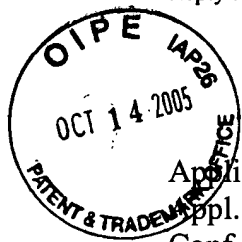


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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 12, 2005, Applicants herein amend the above-identified application and respond as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.